

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

CHENG ET AL.

16/080, 965

APPLICATION NO: Division of Application Serial No. 09/812,960 Filed March 20, 2001

FILED: Herewith *2/22/02*

FOR: SUBSTITUTED ACID DERIVATIVES USEFUL AS ANTIDIABETIC AND ANTIOBESITY AGENTS AND METHOD

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PREEEXAMINATION AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application to read as follows.

In the Specification:

Page 1, line 4, after "this" and before "is", please insert -- is a division of U.S. application Serial No. 09/812,960 filed March 20, 2001; which --

line 5, after "2000" and before "which", please insert -- , now abandoned, --.

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 16, 18 to 32, 36, 38, 41 to 49 and 51 to 54.

Please amend Claims 1, 2, 10, 14, 15, 17, 34, 39, 40 and 50 to read as follows.

--1. (Amended) A compound which has the structure

